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SUBJECT: PROPOSED REVIEW OF OUTSTANDING TRADE PROBLEMS:
CHICKEN WAR

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1. HANNAY, SOAMES' CHEF DE CABINET, INFORMED AMBASSADOR GREENWALD THIS MORNING THAT SOAMES HAD VETOED HIJZEN'S PROPOSAL TO ALLOW A COMMUNITY PRESS SPOKESMAN CORROBORATE A UNILATERAL US PRESS STATEMENT ON RENEGOTIATION OF THE CHICKEN WAR.

2. HANNAY SAID THAT HE HAD DISCUSSED THE MATTER BY TELEPHONE WITH SOAMES, WHO IS BEDRIDDEN IN ENGLAND. ACCORDING TO HANNY, SOAMES IS UNWILLING TO HAVE THE COMMISSION PARTICIPATE IN ANY WAY IN A PUBLIC STATEMENT UNTIL HE KNOWS WHAT THE UNITED STATES WILL BE SEEKING
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FROM THE COMMUNITY IN RENEGOTIATING THE CHICKEN WAR AND

UNTIL HE HAS HAD A CHANCE TO JUDGE WHETHER THERE IS A REASONABLE CHANCE OF A SUCCESSFUL OUTCOME TO THE NEGOTIATIONS. HIS FEAR IS THAT ANNOUNCING THE OPENING OF EVEN EXPLORATORY TALKS WITHOUT HAVING SOME IDEA ABOUT THE CHANCES OF ULTIMATE AGREEMENT CARRIES THE SERIOUS RISK OF CREATING A NEW SOURCE OF CONFLICT IN US-EC TRADE RELATIONS.

3. AMBASSADOR GREENWALD ARGUED THAT COMMISSION PARTICIPATION IN A PRESS ANNOUNCEMENT WAS ESSENTIAL TO RAISE THE PRICE BREAK ON COGNAC. THIS ACTION IS STRONGLY DESIRED BY FRANCE, AND PRESUMABLY GERMANY AND HOLLAND WOULD WELCOME THE INITIATION OF AN EFFORT TO MODIFY THE US CHICKEN WAR RETALIATION. TIME PRESSURE ON THE COGNAC ACTION WOULD MAKE IT VERY DIFFICULT TO SATISFY SOAMES' REQUEST AND, IN ANY EVENT, IT WAS IMPOSSIBLE TO TELL BEFORE EXPLORATIONS BEGAN WHAT THE FINAL SHAPE OF AN ACCEPTABLE PACKAGE MIGHT BE.

4. HANNAY SAID HE WOULD CONVEY THESE ARGUEMENTS TO SOAMES, BUT HE DID NOT THINK THEY WOULD AFFECT HIS DECISION. ALSO, HE DID NOT BELIEVE THAT PRESSURE FROM ONE OR TWO MEMBER STATES WOULD BE SUCCESSFUL SINCE OTHERS STOOD TO GAIN NOTHING AND MIGHT BE ASKED TO ACCEPT EC CONCESSIONS WHICH AFFECTED THEM ADVERSELY. HANNAY SAID THAT SOAMES, DESPITE HIS ILLNESS, WOULD BE WILLING TO RECEIVE A TELEPHONE CALL FROM AMBASSADOR EBERLE IN AN EFFORT TO RESOLVE THIS ISSUE. GREENWALD

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